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THE FCC'S PUBLIC SAFETY & HOMELAND SECURITY BUREAU EXPANDS REPORTING FOR THE NEW MEXICO WILDFIRES IN THE DISASTER INFORMATION REPORTING SYSTEM

The FCC is expanding reporting for the NEW MEXICO MAY 2022 WILDFIRES in its Disaster Information Reporting System to include Taos County, New Mexico.

On May 9, 2022, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC or Commission) activated its Disaster Information Reporting System (DIRS) to receive information on the status of communications equipment in Colfax, Mora, San Miguel, and Santa Fe counties in New Mexico. On May 13, 2022, the Commission deactivated reporting for Colfax and Santa Fe counties. Today, in response to requests from the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency, Federal Emergency Management Agency, and the New Mexico Statewide Interoperability Coordinator, the FCC expands DIRS reporting for Taos county in New Mexico.

The Commission requests that communications providers that provide service to any areas listed below expeditiously submit and update information through DIRS regarding, *inter alia*, the status of their communications equipment, restoration efforts, and power (*i.e.*, whether they are using commercial power or back-up power). Communications providers can access DIRS at <https://www.fcc.gov/nors/disaster/>. Providers that have not previously done so will be asked to first provide contact information and obtain a User ID when they access DIRS. Communications providers are reminded that for providers that participate in DIRS, the separate Network Outage Reporting System obligations are suspended for the duration of the DIRS activation with respect to outages in the counties where DIRS has been activated. **Reports are requested by 10:00 a.m. EDT, Wednesday May 18, 2022, and every day after that by 10:00 a.m. EDT until DIRS is deactivated.**

Communications providers that serve an area listed below and that have already provided contact information in DIRS will be sent an e-mail requesting that they provide the above-referenced status information through DIRS. The Commission encourages all communications providers that have not already logged onto DIRS to input their contact information do so as soon as possible.

THE ADDITIONAL COUNTIES OF INTEREST FOR THIS ACTIVATION INCLUDE:

New Mexico: Taos county.

DIRS remains activated in the following counties in New Mexico:

New Mexico: Mora and San Miguel counties.

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